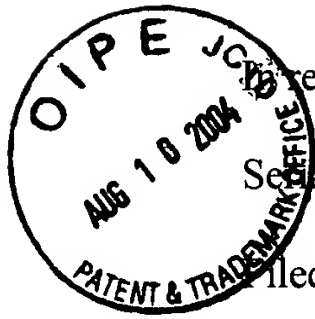


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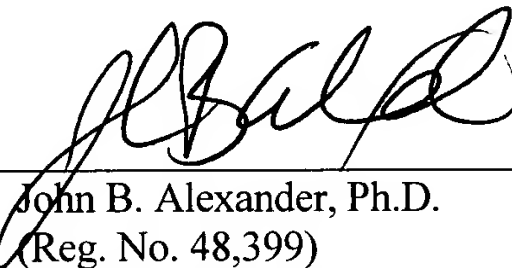
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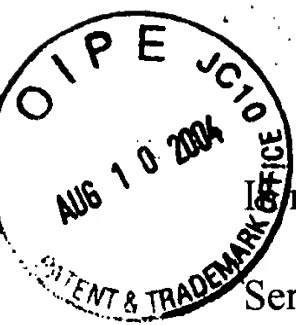


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Address of assignee 1-1, Koraihashi 4-chome, Chuo-ku

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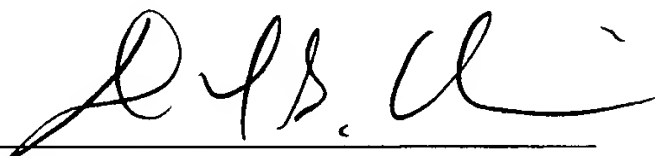
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